Dear Representative Lamb (care of Chris Bowman),

I am Robert Bell, President and CEO of Price Gregory International, a union energy transmission construction contractor who works in Pennsylvania as as well as across the country. We employ between 2000 and 10,000 hard-working union employees. The four unions with whom we are signatory represent hundreds of thousands of fine men and women who work hard to build and maintain our energy infrastructure.

I am writing this to express my company and my industry's stance against any sort of methane fee or tax imposed by our federal government that penalizes use of natural gas. It is against our country's best interest for our government to be choosing winners and losers when it comes to energy needed by our country. It is not logical to penalize our industry whose mission includes delivering clean, affordable and safe natural gas. The growth in use of natural gas as our country's anchor power generation source is largely responsible for our country's reduction in CO2 emissions. Natural gas is the logical source of clean, affordable energy to serve as a backstop to wind and solar power. America must compete on the world stage for our products, all of which require energy to produce. Taxing methane is bad policy for my company, for union labor, for our industry and most importantly for all Americans who are connected to the power grid.

Thank you for your consideration of our concern. Americans who are concerned about our future will be watching your vote on this important issue.

Best,

Robert Bell

President & CEO of Price Gregory International